# Circulate Petitions Asking Exclusion from District

Petitions to exclude this area from the recently formed county-wide hospital district have been prepared by District Attorney Francis C. Collins' office and are now in circulation, C. C. Baum of Lafayette announced today.

Baum is one of the local leaders who volunteered to obtain signatures necessary for an exclusion vote from the Hospital District Board. He estimates, "about 1750 names are necessary, though we expect to get over 4000."

"There are approximately 150 petitions being circulated in Martinez, Danville, Walnut Creek, Alamo, Orinda and Lafayette," he said. "Our goal is to present these completed lists to the County Clerk by December 15th." Dr. Clifford Feiler, Lou Spott and John Nejedly are working with Baum in securing names.

### AT RECENT MEETING

Action leading up to preparation of these lists was taken before the Supervisors' meeting a week ago Monday morning in a behind-closed-doors session. At an early confab attended by Collins, Baum, Feiler, Robert Pedder, Mrs. Dwight Birch, and Martinez representatives in the Supervisors' conference room, the actual decision was made.

**It was based on two considerations: 1. Voting in localities desiring elimination was adverse to the county-wide plan.**

**2. Richmond is anxious for removal of these so-called "outlaw" areas so it can go ahead with its bond issue for a new hospital.**

Collins agreed to prepare necessary papers (this was Monday and all was completed, even mimeographed, by Wednesday). He also told the group that he suggested no short cuts be taken in going through the exclusion procedure. In other words, everything should be done legally so that there would be no further complications.

The District Attorney stressed his belief that men appointed to the Hospital Board should be strongly committed to permitting elimination of areas which desire it.

### SLENDER MAJORITY

When the Board of Supervisors convened, they formed the large district after an official canvass of ballots confirmed passage of Proposition "C" by a slender 859 majority.

The Board has not yet selected Directors for the district. In accordance with state law it will be 30 days after appointment before this body can act. Petitions will be presented to the Directors at their first meeting after the legal time has elapsed.

Signature lists must have 15 percent of the number of residents who voted in the 1946 gubernatorial election. If at the time of consideration, the necessary number of names are presented and no real opposition comes forth, the Hospital Directors can vote "yes" or "no" on exclusion

### PROBLEMS TO BEGIN

When this takes place, advocates of a local hospital district will be right back where they started. A new plan with boundaries and another petition must all be prepared to put a local plan before the Supervisors and eventually, the voters.

There is a likelihood that Orinda, which also wants out of the County group, will not wish to be included in a small district, due to lack of interest and a certain amount of opposition to such a set up.

When the Supervisors formed the large district, they received and read a letter from the Central Contra Costa Memorial Hospital Association. This group had met for breakfast the morning before at El Curtola Hotel, Walnut Creek.

### TO CONTINUE WORK

Pointing out that a county-wide plan is "not now feasible," the letter asked for exclusion of this area. This does not mean the Association is bowing out; Neill Cornwall, one of its directors from Lafayette, explains that the organization is remaining intact and will continue working for adequate medical facilities in this area. However, it is not active in securing signatures on the petitions.

The letter to the Supervisors was devoted principally to enumerating steps which had already started or were in the process of preparation "so that we can thereupon proceed to form our own local district."

Included in this category were a request to the Supervisors to support exclusion of certain areas and to ask the District Attorney's office to prepare petitions; it also urged appointment of hospital directors from all areas now in the large district, with the understanding that as these localities are eliminated, the board member representing them will resign.

The single unified district now includes all portions of the County except Pittsburg, Antioch, the far eastern section of the county and Concord township. A hospital district for Concord Township was ordered set up by the Board at this same Supervisors meeting, after the plan passed in November by a substantial margin.

# Orinda Association Opposes Zoning Plan

Taking issue with the County Planning Commission's Orinda zoning proposal, the Orinda Association recently wrote a strong letter to the Board of Supervisors suggesting six specific recommendations to correct this plan.

The primary complaint expressed by Clarence Betz, secretary-treasurer, on behalf of the group, is against 10,000 square foot minimum lot (RS) basis proposed for certain Orinda areas. Residents have emphatically requested one half acre minimum lots (RA) "to protect existing values and to maintain and safeguard the present character of the entire Orinda Elementary School District," he wrote.

Zoning proposals set forth by the planning group were based on a one year study of that area. They were presented to the Supervisors a week ago Monday. After hearing verbal protests and reading the Orinda Association's letter, Board members voted to refer this matter back to the Planning Commission. As Supervisor Jack Cummings, who is a member of the Commission, is vacationing in South America, no further official action will be taken until his return. This will be in time for the first meeting in January.

### AT THE MEETING

Ten Orinda representatives were present at the Supervisors meeting. Bestor Robinson, representing the Moraga Land Company, also spoke; he talked against zoning certain areas RA — one half acre — and urged that provision be included to establish a neighborhood shopping center at Glorietta and Moraga Highway. The zoning proposal does not now include this.

| ZONE | MINIMUM LOT AREA |
|---|---|
| R-1 | 5,000 sq. ft. |
| R-S | 10,000 sq. ft. |
| R-A | ½ acre |
| S | 1 acre |

The letter pointed out that the Association sent the Supervisors and Planning Commission a letter February 9, 1948, outlining the recommendations and wishes of the people in the Orinda Elementary School District. "These recommendations were based on the expressed opinion and desires of the people, after they had discussed the subject at several previous meetings which culminated in our general meeting held January 29, 1948."

### ASSOCIATION'S STAND

Emphasizing that the Commission had ignored these suggestions, the letter lists six specific zoning classifications which the Association does not approve.

1. The pattern of Hacienda del Orinda as now established is RA, and zoning it RS as recommended by the Planning Board would "in a sense down zoning the existing residential restrictions." The letter declares that the majority of lots are already a half acre or more.

2. Moraga Glorietta and Moraga Manor are also characteristically RA. In February 1948 respective improvement groups of these two subdivisions sent a letter and petition signed by 200 residents urging the Planning Commission to zone it RA. Zoning Map No. 14 shows it is recommended for RS. "We do not concur in this recommendation and ask that it be changed," the letter stated.

3. "In this Association's original letter to the Planning Commission it asked that business at the Crossroads be not extended North along the highway further North than Davis Road. This has been ignored." The present proposal will encourage "strip zoning" of the highway, which is unanimously opposed by directors of the Association.

4. Several hundred acres of open land owned by the E.B.M.U.D. lie between Hacienda del Orinda and Moraga Estates and Park Springs. The letter declares that eventually at least part of this is bound to be subdivided and "since the character of the existing subdivisions contiguous to this undeveloped acreage is in general RA, it is believed that this land should be zoned RA, not A."

### UNSUBDIVIDED LAND

5. North of Moraga Estates is a parcel of unsubdivided property similar to that of Moraga Estates, Moraga Glorietta and Moraga Manor. The first is already recommended for RA zoning by the Planning Commission and the other two have been requested as RA by the Orinda group. "It is the unanimous opinion of our Board members that htis unsubdivided land should be zoned RA instead of RS . . . unless this is done, existing property values in the established subdivisions surrounding this area will be depreciated."

### NOT NOW FEASIBLE

6. It is not now feasible to zone all the undeveloped land south and west of Moraga Glorietta, Moraga Manor and Moraga Estates as RA instead of A, at least "a protecting strip 100 feet wide abutting these subdivisions should be zoned RA at this time. This same recommendation is made for the unsubdivided land found adjacent to Moraga Red Rey and Moraga Woodland subdivisions."


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WHETHER OR NOT ACALANES VARSITY CAGERS will pick off another league championship will be decided by these young men. Standing, left to right, Bob Ferro, Herb Sholin, Cliff Lucas, Guy Stanley, John Marshall, Roy Van den Huevel, Doug Beede, Larry Feagans, Harry Nielsen, Lynn Amason, Lloyd Torchio, Ted Hall, Marshall Freeman and Bob Spackman. Kneeling, Bob Borghesani, Mel Querio, Dick Laney, Bob Reed, John Daniels and Richard Ting. (Photo by Mattson.)

# Hear Ye, Hear Ye Town Hall Monday

All scouters, all Cub parents, all Scout parents, and all persons interested in successful Scouting in Orinda — are going to have an old time town meeting discussion on the Hows and Whys of Scouting at the Scout House, Orinda, Monday at 8 p.m.

This is a most important meeting on your holiday list. All phases and problems of Scouting will be discussed in a town meeting manner, Bill Abbey said.

Here's the agenda:

12 minutes on the over-all picture of Scouting; world, national, regional, local district and Troop. Speaker: Bill Abbey, District Executive.

12 minutes on finance. Speaker: Victor Lindblad, Council Executive.

12 minutes on Scouting. Speaker: Regis Glaive, Scoutmaster, Berkeley

12 minutes on the Cub program. Speaker: Mr. Dobell, Chairman, Pack 1, Berkeley.

12 minutes on Senior Scouting. Speaker: Gene Smith, Explorer Leader, Camp Herms.

The rest of the time will be made up of an open forum where our experts will try and answer all of your questions, Mr. Abbey said.

# Kitchens to Be Studied by Group

Home Department will meet on Monday, December 6, at 12:30 at Mrs. Courant's home at 224 La Espiral.

This will be a dessert meeting. Miss Helen Burling's subject for the day will be "What you Should Know About Buying Kitchen Equipment". Eighteen members attended the last meeting which was a luncheon cooked and served by the members of Home Department.

# Finalists Chosen for Harmony Night

After weeks of auditioning, the finalists of the Juvenile Amateur Contest have been chosen to appear on the "Harmony Night" program to be given at the Orinda Grammar School Friday evening, December 10.

They are: Diana Bumgarner and Betty Jane Buckle, vocal duet; Ann Kalbfleisch, cello solo; Naomi Pettengill, marimba solo; Peggy Kalbfleisch, piano; and Gary Biederman, vocalist.

The winner will receive a musical scholarship from the Orinda Chapter of SPEBSQSA (Barbershoppers, to you) and there will also be prizes for all the others.

### SINGING TEAMS

The array of well known Barber Shop Quartets is growing daily. It now appears that the following will "give their all" next Friday night:

"The Camelia City Four" from Sacramento; the "Garden City Four" and the "Wha-cha ma-callits", both from San Jose; the "Golden Statesmen" and the "Barbary Coasters" from San Francisco; and the "Uncalled Four" from Berkeley.

The Orinda Chapter Male Chorus of thirty voices will sing many of the old songs the way we all like to hear them, in "Ye good ol' Barbershop" style.

Never before, has Orinda had the opportunity to hear a full evening of this kind of music, furnished by the best talent in the Northern part of the state. The advance sale of tickets indicates a full house.

Tickets may still be obtained at the Village Pharmacy, Wadsworth and Murphy's Real Estate office at the Crossroads, or from any member of the Society. Adults, $1.00; children, 50c.

# Filter Plant Almost Completed at Pool

The manager of the Park Pool reported that the filter plant is almost completed.

There was a meeting on December 1, of the Pool Board at Mrs. Henry Moller's home.

### SECOND TRAVEL NIGHT

Ask Jean Ward, the office manager at the Worden Travel Agency and she'll tell you how wonderful the flight to Mexico is. Or, go to the Willows Sunday evening and see the 45 minute sound and color film depicting your flight to Mexico. The show begins at 8:30 and the admission is free.

# Zoning Hearing Tentatively Set For January

Thomas Heaton, County Planning Technician, told the ORINDA SUN yesterday that a public hearing on the proposed Orinda Zoning Ordinance will probably be held sometime in January.

The planning office and the County Planning Commission are informally studying the protests entered by the Orinda Association and private individuals at last week's hearing before the Board of Supervisors, Heaton said.

However, he added, officially the matter has not yet been referred back to the Planning Commission for further consideration. Supervisors will do this at their first meeting in January, upon the return of Supervisor Jack Cummings, now vacationing in South America.

Heaton said the Commission will hold another hearing as early in January as possible. This will probably be at a regular session of the Planning Commission in Martinez.

# Craftsmen to Sell, Show Art Works

A showing and sale of works of Bay Area Craftsmen will be held at the home of Doris Clifford, 163 Orinda Highway, next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The show will be open each day from 10:30 to 5 o'clock. This address is one mile west of the Orinda Crossroads on the left side of the road.

Exhibits will be presented by Loyola Fourtane, Sausalito, jewelry; The Blairs, Carmel, ceramics; Edith Heath, ceramics; Richard Hackett, metal craft; and from Orinda, Agnes Oliphant, ceramics; Joyce Carter, hand painted antiques; Ruth Howard, painting; and Mr. W. R. Layne, jade jewelry.

# Orinda P. O. Gives Tips on Mailing

Orinda residents who will be mailing holiday cards and packages would do well to take a leaf from the local post office's notebook.

Mrs. Benjamin Mallory, postmaster, has compiled a list of simple but safe suggestions for preparing Christmas material for Uncle Sam's handling. She points out that in most cases the suggestions are not only pertinent to Yuletide mail but for all year round.

### COMMON ERROR

The most common error found in mailing envelopes, she reports is in use of the 1½ cent stamp. Not only must envelopes bearing this stamp be unsealed but there should be no writing inside except for a signature. No messages are permitted.

Cartons can not be insured unless they have an outer wrapping of paper. Otherwise, they do not hold together. Mrs. Mallory says suit boxes are unsatisfactory for mailing unless they have a paper covering, regardless of whether they are insured or not.

Following is a list of other hints for people who plan to visit the post office with gifts and envelopes:

1. All parcels going East of the Mississippi should be mailed by December 5.

2. Avoid mailing after 4:30 p.m. whenever possible.

### ADDRESS ON ONE SIDE

3. Packages should be addressed on one side only. When there is writing on both sides it is hard to tell whether stamps have been affixed. A second address should be placed inside the parcel to avoid loss by damage. If stickers are used for the address, write the return address on the package itself.

4 All seals and stickers should be elsewhere on the address side of the package.

5. Fragile markings should be on more than one side.

6. Anything sealed, whether a parcel or letter, must pay first class postage rate, which is three cents an ounce. However, if tape is used for wrapping, the package goes at parcel rates, provided a sticker (Postmaster may open, etc.) is affixed. The message on the sticker cannot be written on the package; it must be printed on an official sticker.

7. Envelopes, greeting cards and postal cards should be tied in packets when there are over 10. Local mailings and those going elsewhere should be separated. If the packet does not fit in the slot, it can be given to a postal clerk.

# S.O.S. Sent For Faucets

**S.O.S.— Extra faucets for a litter of puppies are needed.**

**Does anyone have a dog with very few puppies, and or, extra milk?**

**Mrs. Leighton De Maeyer's Doberman Pinscher "Dawnie" gave birth to eleven puppies — 1st litter, sired by "Prince", owned by Mrs. Shelton Cooper.**

**After giving Dr. Joseph Lorber and herself a work-out since 1:00 a.m. Wednesday, "Dawnie" is now resting nicely at her home in Orinda.**

# Good News for Local Shoppers

Good news to Lafayette and Orinda Christmas shoppers is the announcement that our stores will be open one night a week until Christmas.

Starting Monday night until 9 shops in Orinda Village will leave their doors wide open for the convenience of the residents. Virginia Hammond's dress shop at the Crossroads will also remain open.

Starting next Friday night, most Lafayette stores selling Christmas merchandise will be doing business. Several firms who are open nights regularly will continue as usual instead of Friday nights. Bishopp-Kneedler on Monday and Wednesday nights and Shierry's on Thursday nights.

### VISIT MUSEUM

Yesterday the eighth grade students from the Orinda Grammar school went to the museum of Paleontology at the University of California to further their knowledge on the study of pre-historic man.

# D.A. Still Waiting for Information From Richit's Legal Representative

The District Attorney's office is still waiting for written information from Victor H. Richit's legal representative regarding the latter's protested plan to build two dwellings in Orinda on what has been termed "one lot".

A letter requesting the promised details on why Richit is within his legal rights in this construction and proof of sale of the second parcel to an outside party has been written by Deputy District Attorney Matthew Walker. To date he has had no reply from James F Hoey, Richit's attorney.

Richit told the SUN yesterday that a letter is now on its way to the District Attorney.

The controversy developed when Orinda residents protested Richit's alleged double construction in the Moraga Highway — Lloyd Lane area. Interim zoning of this locality limits it to single residences on each lot.

Richit contends he purchased the property when it was unzoned.

Hoey later told Walker that the other parcel of land in question had been sold to someone else. At that time the Deputy District Attorney said proof of such sale would quash any further legal action.




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## Captain Sandford Sez:

I am afraid we are about due for a nasty traffic accident on the death curve just east of El Nido Rancho. The applicants for death or serious injury there are increasing in numbers and are more insistent than ever.

Every time I pass there I see narrow squeaks that almost make me shudder. "Flirting with the undertaker," I calls it. I suggest that a small grandstand be erected in a safe place overlooking the bend. We could then capture a few of the most idiotic desperadoes and chain them to the stand for a few hours each day, giving them a mild barrage of rotten eggs every hour to relieve the monotony.

Out of State automobile license numbers I have noticed here recently. Iowa, Arkansas, Alberta, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii and British Columbia.

I have recently noticed several convoys of troops headed overseas. These men have much cheerier faces than during the war.

**How many have seen the new roads being cut into the hills at the top of Orchard and Oakhill Roads, above the old Ravazzo ranch? We rode to the summit on horseback recently and saw several beautiful homesites and a truly superb view from the top.**

Some of you probably remember my query in this column as to what the kangaroo does to get the crumbs out of her pouch. We wrote to Australia and have recently had a reply from a lady who lives there and has practically to push a kangaroo aside every time she wants to plant something.

Even she doesn't know and raises a question in return, "How come crumbs in a kangaroo's pouch?"

I don't want to quarrel about crumbs. After all the mother carries her young in the pouch and . . . let's not get too technical. How does she remove the . . . crumbs . . . well, debris, Good-bye now.

## "Warm Clothes Make Warm Friends!"



American Friends Service Committee Photo.

**This is a scene in Europe where a youthful victim of war displays a clothing kit packed by Girl Scouts of the USA and sent overseas in their 1948 project "Clothes for Friendship." The young lady above is wearing a dress made by American Girl Scouts and shows her mother and brothers the remainder of her kit, one of the first to be received overseas. American Girl Scouts have a goal of 100,000 kits this year.**

## Acalanes Parents Club Approves JC

The decision to endorse the formation of a County Junior College district reached by the executive board of Acalanes High School Parents Club, was upheld by a vote of the members at its regular November meeting at Acalanes, according to Mrs. Ernest Kittridge, president of the Parents Club.

A greater parent ratio of participation in the affairs of the school was urged both by spokesmen of the faculty and the club. Mrs John Schroll, membership chairman, reported that a campaign had been taken directly to every home by the 837 students themselves in the form of invitations to join and envelopes for a direct reply.

It is expected, she hopes, that a substantial increase in membership will be announced at the next meeting.

"The additional membership support, with its consequent added income," Mrs. Schroll explained, "gives assurance that the parents through their club, may bolster one of the main objects of their organization — the granting of scholarships.

Class presidents, too, are giving their full support to the expansion of their school's parents club, states Neil M. Parsons, superintendent, who announced that the class which brings in the largest number of parents as members will receive an appropriate prize from the club.

With the usual custom of bypassing the holiday season, the next meeting will be January 17, Mrs. Kittredge announced.

## Necessity for JC Urged in Series

(Editor's Note: This is the second of three articles reviewing the need for junior colleges in the county.)

Necessity for a Junior College District in Contra Costa County is a prime consideration for those who will vote on the college district formation proposal on Tuesday, December 14 Most polls for the election will be at district schools.

Last year 705 Contra Costa students enrolled in junior colleges throughout the state. Of these, 238 were G.I.'s. G.I. attendance at these schools accentuates the need and demand for Junior Solege facilities in our county. These men and women are accorded federal funds support, without which few, if any, could have completed the education they desired for job training.

### MUST LOSE EDUCATION

There are hundreds within our county who are in the same position With financial means they could go elsewhere to college. Without it, they must forego the education they want and which the times demand.

Surveys show that twice the number now enrolled in distant junior colleges would attend a Contra Costa Junior College. This survey could only touch present school enrollment directly faced with consideration of further education. It could not possibly reach thousands more, among whom there are unquestionably many who also would attend college if they possessed the means.

### COSTS INCREASE

Reliable statistics disclose that it costs an average of $1000 or more a year for a student to attend college away from home and a far less sum, even as low as $100 a year, for a student to attend college and live at home.

In California last year Junior College attendance was 18% of high school population and it is indicated this will rise to 20%. Contra Costa County has only a 7% attendance. This is in a county with a 1948 population of 293,000 and an assessed valuation of $255,000,000.

Considering the state average, Contra Costa has a 1930 junior college enrollment and no junior college program.

### POPULOUS COUNTY

With a standing as the fifth most populous county in the state and the second in industrial wealth, the county is one of only two major areas in the state lacking junior college facilities.

Predicted population gains to 350,000 in five years and a growth from a school population of 19,500 in 1940 to a present 52,600 are indicative of the increasing demand for junior college facilities.

### ACTION NOW

Proponents of the district point out that if it is approved by the people, it will be a year or more before class organization can be effected and declare this accentuates the need of approving action now.

"Not alone good business, but good education demand approval by the people now," Charles F. Hutchins, Jr., chairman of the Junior College Citizens' Committee declares.

"It is good business from the standpoint of eliminating a present $46,000 rent bill, which can only increase, and it is good education to prepare our own young people within our county and halt denial of educational opportunities to hundreds. Just how important this job training is will be discussed in the final article of this series."

## Taxpayers Group Seeks to Delay J. C. District

In support of their contention that the proposal to form a Junior College District up for a vote of the people December 14, may well be and should be postponed, spokesmen for Contra Costa County Farm Bureau and Contra Costa County Taxpayers' Association jointly declared today that one important item that should be explained to the voters is that the 705 Contra Costa County students who attended Junior College during 1947-1948 were divided as follows:

From High Schools, 467; Ex-G.I. War Veterans, 238.

The above information is held important to enable the voters to better determine the real urgency of forming a Junior College District at this particular time. It was indicated that the basic enrollment figure that should be employed on which to provide the need of a Junior College for Contra Costa County should be 467 and not the 705, which latter figure has been widely used by the proponents.

### TAX BURDEN

Meanwhile, fearful of what the tax burden may skyrocket to next year, both organizations it was stated, seek to space the threatened tax load in such a manner as to spread the financing of the various projects in the order of their need and importance. That procedure aims to spare property owners from the blow of having to finance the many projects all at one time.

Among the items listed that will in all likelihood appear in next year's tax bill are: An additional levy to complete the financing of the new Juvenile Hall which may reach $500,000; A possible 40c levy to raise $1,000,000 for badly needed additional county office space; the possibility of financing further additional facilities for the elementary schools; the financing of sewage disposal plants, the necessity of which confronts some of the cities of the county made compulsory by order of the State Health Department.

On top of all this, comes the proposal to form a Junior College District If the Junior College district is formed, the initial financing will most likely see the maximum legal levy of 35 cents added to the tax rate. The question immediately arises, how can the average property owner absorb all of these demands at one time?

### MORE IMPORTANT PROJECTS

While admitting that the time may be approaching for establishing a Junior College in this county, and that there undoubtedly would be students attending who are now unable to attend Junior College outside of the county, the two groups hold that it is unfortunate that a Junior College district has to be promoted at this time because of the fact that it is clear that more pressing problems will have to take precedence.

Meanwhile, it is stated that the need of two Junior Colleges being established in this county is not urgent or pressing. Formation of the district would enable two or more campuses. It should be delayed and entirely set aside for the present.

## Offices Obtained For Girl Scouts

Work will be completed on the new offices of the Diablo Valley Area Council Girl Scouts within a few days, according to Mrs. Harry Zehner, Office Chairman.

Rooms have been acquired in the Commercial Building on Main Street in Walnut Creek, Mrs. Zehner announced, and the staff and office equipment will probably be in the new location about the 15th of this month.

The offices serve the Girl Scout workers in Alamo, Danville, Lafayette, Pleasant Hill, Orinda, Walnut Creek and Ygnacio Valley and the committee feels that the new location will be fairly central for all groups, Mrs. Zehner said.

### FAMILY GET-TOGETHER

Mrs. Grover Estes of Berkeley, Mrs. Gordon Hooper and her son Charles, went to Gridley last Tuesday to visit relatives. Gordon Hooper and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hooper motored up Thursday and they all enjoyed a family Thanksgiving dinner at the home of the Messrs. Hoopers' mother, Mrs. Gladys Hooper, returning late Thursday night.

## Ex-Sheriff Talks To Realty Mart

John Miller, ex-Contra Costa sheriff, gave Real Estate Mart members a colorful description of the sheriff's posse's activities at the regular Monday breakfast meeting, 7:30 a.m., El Nido Rancho. His talk included information on the posse's trip to New Orleans for Mardi Gras festivities and its forthcoming jaunt to the Rose Bowl.

Next week's speaker will be Herbert L. Breed, general counsel for the California Real Estate Association.

### "GRANDPA" JASVEN NOW

Phillip Jasven of Moraga Blvd. is the proud grandfather of a baby boy born November 26th at the East Oakland Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. William Jasven of Oakland. The baby weighed 6 lbs., 8 oz. at birth and will be named after his grandfather.


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## Reviewer Praises Canadian Film

By THE REVIEWER

The Orinda Explorer Scouts are aptly named, as their color movie, 'Canoe Trails in the North Woods' is a real epic of adventure, beauty and obstacles found in the wilderness.

This film was premiered Wednesday and Thursday nights before an enthusiastic audience at the Grammar School. It was prepared from 4000 feet of color shots taken by Orinda boys on their adventurous trip last summer to the unexplored lake country of British Columbia.

The trip was a culmination of three summers of wilderness trips made by the Scouts. The resulting motion picture is a faithful, exciting record of what they saw and did. The combination of scintillating beauty and an adventurous touch kept the premiere audience constantly on the elge of its chair.

Among the scenes captured are that arduous trek up the Fraser River, ghost towns in Cariboo gold country, placer mines still in operation, great ice capped peaks of the Cariboo range, silent paddling on the lakes, a canoe upsetting and imperiling the lives of its three occupants, swimming, fishing, hiking, cooking and the tingling wild life of the northern wilderness.

### MURILLO BREAKFAST

A Thanksgiving Day breakfast was the order of the day at the C. M. Murillo home on Brown Ave. when Mr. and Mrs. Murillo entertained sixteen relatives at breakfast. Present were Mr. Alonzo Murillo, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Conahan and Peggy of Oakland, Bruce Cline of Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ash and children of San Anselmo and the C. M. Murillo family.


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# Telephone Company Seeks Rate Increase

## Von Guenther Heads Commitee

Fred von Guenthner has been chosen chairman of a steering committee to go ahead with the Orinda Better Business Association's program. This action was taken by members when a quorum did not appear at last Tuesday's meeting, thus making the scheduled election of officials impossible, said Clarence Betz, secretary.

Officers will be chosen as soon as possible, he added, and plans developed for the Association's Christmas activities.

The Better Business organization was formed in 1945 under the leadership of Frank Olsen. It's purpose is to keep the community informed of goods and services offered by member merchants, as well as to render civic service in Orinda.

### HOLIDAY DOINGS

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| | LOCAL | | EXTENDED | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Present | Proposed | Present | Proposed |
| Business Individual | 5.25 | 5.75 | 6.25 | 8.00 |
| Residence Individual | 3.50 | 3.75 | 4.00 | 4.25 |
| Residence two-party | 3.00 | 3.25 | 3.25 | 3.50 |
| Residence four-party | 2.50 | 2.75 | | |

Examples of toll rate changes:

| From | To | Present | Proposed |
|---|---|---|---|
| LAFAYETTE | OAKLAND | .10 | .15 |
| LAFAYETTE | SAN FRANCISCO | .15 | .20 |

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## Explain G.I. Life Insurance

The "term" in National Service Life Insurance term policies is becoming increasingly important to veterans who entered World War II service early, according to J. W. Hammond, County Veterans Service Officer.

These policies run for only eight years, Hammond pointed out. This means that veterans who took out term policies in 1941 will find them expiring on the corresponding date next year.

Although the Veterans Administration is sending warning notices to holders of term policies two months before the expiration date, Hammond urged veterans in Contra Costa County not to wait for this notice, but to take action promptly to renew their policies or, better still, to convert them to one of the six permanent plans of NSLI.

If the veteran elects to renew his term policy for another five years, he must do so BEFORE it expires. No grace period is allowed. He will pay a new premium rate, corresponding to his attained age.

Full information and assistance in applying for renewal or conversion of NSLI term policies may be obtained at the Veterans Service Office, 108 Hall of Records, Martinez.

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## Proposal Would Affect This Area

Application for an increase in California telephone rates, first announced on October 27, was made Monday to the California Public Utilities Commission by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, according to R. A. Horst, manager of the Martinez office, and S. D. Smith, manager of the Berkeley office.

"The public is demanding more and more service," Horst and Smith stated. "Present earnings are not sufficient to attract the hundreds of millions of dollars of new capital that must be raised from the sale of stock to purchase the plant and equipment needed to meet the telephone demands of the public. In order to raise this capital, earnings must be adequate to attract the investment dollars in competition with other industries."

### 14% INCREASE

"The increase in the prices of continued, "The rate application was made necessary by the problem of rising costs — both labor and material. Rate increases thus far obtained by Pacific Telephone amount to about 15 per cent on California intrastate operations and have proved inadequate. The new application, if granted, will increase the revenues of the company about 14 per cent.

"The increase in the pricse of almost everything we must buy in order to render telephone service has spiraled. Inclusive of the rate increase now being applied for, the average price of telephone service will have gone up less than half the 75 per cent rise in the cost of living index," the managers asserted.

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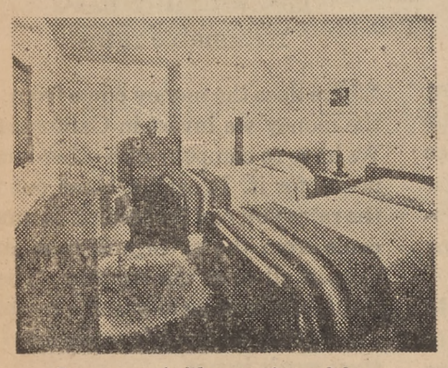
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# Your Garden

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BY CONSTANCE HANSEN



Only those readers of this column who started gardening on a bare hillside will understand how each year I take added pleasure in the increasing leaf fall from the trees I planted out of gallon cans a little over seven years ago.

**Those who already have old established trees probably look on the fallen leaves with a jaundiced eye, thinking of the time it will take to clean them up. I enjoy using the broad leaves for mulching the garden beds, and anticipate that in another year or so there will be enough pine needles to surface the paths in the lower part of the garden.**

Fallen leaves are good material to use in a compost pit or pile, along with the tops of perennials and spent annuals, which should now be cleared out of the garden. To every six inch layer of leafy material add a thin layer of garden soil and a little commercial fertilizer to hasten decay. Keep the pile slightly damp and turn the whole thing over about every six weeks to make decomposition uniform.

### START PRUNING SHRUBS

This is the time of year to start pruning most shrubs and trees. Some shrubs don't need much pruning except for shaping or removing interfering branches, and others can be pruned as you cut branches for the house. Some, like the various laurels, tend to too vigorous growth, but by careful pruning they can be made to fit their position without looking sheared.

**When pruning evergreens, don't just whack indiscriminately, leaving bare cut ends all over a bush, but make each cut just before a small lateral shoot, choosing where possible, one that stands at such an angle that it conceals the cut end. It helps to do a little pruning each year, rather than to do a big job after several years' neglect. Cut out all dead branches, and be sure to cut back to strong live wood when the whole branch has not died. Roses are best pruned here late in January, since it is said that the shorter the time between pruning and the time for new growth to start, the less die-back of stems there will be.**

This is a good time of year to put in any needed structural improvements, such as fences, walks, or garden houses. Cold frames can be made ready for an early start on the spring seed-planting season. A little greenhouse, or a properly fitted sun porch can be a joy in winter, even in sunny Lafayette, providing flowers and tropical greenery at a time when the garden is bleak and cold. However, to get the full benefit from a greenhouse, you must be a person who enjoys working with plants, as it does take more care than outdoor gardening.

### WINTER CLEAN-UP

Now is the time for winter clean-up sprays, using Bordeaux mixture for fungi, such as the one causing peach-leaf curl, a winter strength oil spray for scale insects and lead arsenate for the pests which chew. Keep the winter oil off the needle-leaved evergreens, as they burn easily.

**The bare-root deciduuos shrubs and trees will be in good supply at nurseries by the middle of the month, and can all be planted from then on. It's a good idea to set a stake in the hole at the time of planting to keep trees and shrubs from being whipped around by the spring winds before the roots have grown enough to anchor them firmly. When tying the trunk to the stake, allow room for expansion. Ties made of wire covered with a section of old garden hose where they touch the stem are very satisfactory.**

Evergreens are most easily moved this month and next. Dig with a good ball of roots, disturbing them as little as possible, and keep the soil moist, but not too wet after planting. Sprinkle the foliage every few days too.

Plants which are bought balled and burlapped should be set in the hole prepared for them with the burlap still covering the roots, but then untie the string around the top of the ball, and peel the burlap down a ways before filling in the hole. Make sure the ball is permeable and not packed to a brick-like consistency, as is often the case. If it is very packed and hard, soak it thoroughly.

### SHRUBS INJURED

Sometimes shrubs have been dug up two or three years after planting to discover why they haven't made any progress, and the original ball has been found intact — so hard that no roots could grow or penetrate it to obtain water and nourishment.

**Most of the bulbs** may still be planted, as long as you can find them, and this is the best time for planting tulips. When planting ranunculas and anemone roots many people are puzzled as to which end is up. The anemone roots look like miniature turnips or rutabagas, and it's the pointed end that goes down. In the case of the ranunculas, which have several dried fleshy roots, the little prongs go down. Soak them a few hours or overnite, to plump them up before planting about an inch deep.




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# Rears Family, Then Back to School

Mrs. H. F. Neller of Moraga Blvd. doesn't look as if she could possibly be the mother of a daughter, Margaret, who is employed by the Central Bank in Lafayette, a son, Herbert, who is a veteran of the last war, and another boy, Danny, in the first grade of the Lafayette Grammar School.

Nevertheless, she has raised this family of fine Lafayette citizens, and found time to complete a course in dental nursing at the Dental Nurses Training School in San Francisco. Since November 18, she has been proudly displaying a diploma which states she is now a full-fledged dental assistant.

How she found time to serve as president of the Parent's Club, acquire membership in the Past Presidents Club of the American Legion Auxiliary, serve on the Grammar School Board, and be a District Officer of the P.T.A. in addition to her many other activities, is too involved to even discuss, according to Mrs. Neller.

"I guess I just like to be busy," says Mrs. Neller.

### VISITING RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Kennedy and daughters Joy and Mary Jane spent Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. Kennedy's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waller and children, Jane, Henry, Robert and John in Berkeley. Also present were his mother, Mrs. Ethel B. Kennedy and his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bussey Kennedy and daughter Mary.

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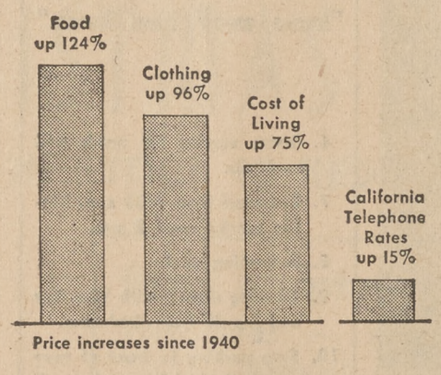
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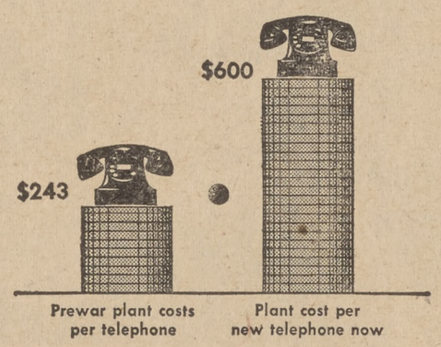
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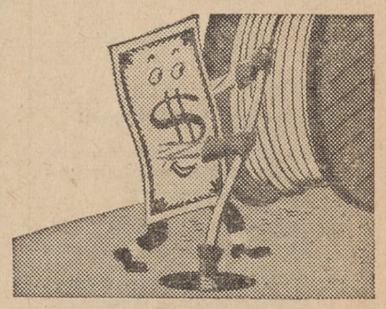
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The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company

# 38-Piece Orchestra Will Play for Acalanes Annual Messiah December 12

Of symphonic stature is the 38-piece orchestra which Oscar J. Busch, conductor, announced this week as the instrumental complement of the second annual Chirstmas production of Handel's "The Messiah".

To be held Sunday, December 12( at 3 p.m. in the Acalanes Union High School Auditorium, the production is a joint project of the Acalanes Evening School, where it originated, the high school, and private individuals of the community participating as patrons and performers.

**COUNTY-WIDE**

The adult component of the instrumental group is county-wide in its representation, Busch pointed out, citing the quantity and qality of this talent as evidence of the area's high cultural level in music.

Adult participante include music directors of three other local high schools besides Acalanes, where Busch heads the department. They are: Dean Tutt, Alhambra; Rubin Tuttle, San Ramon; and Mitchell Hookins, Antioch.

**LIST MEMBERS**

Qualified high-chool instrumentalists will supplement the adult performers. Personnel of the orchestra, in rehearsal for the past month, are:

First violins: Reginald Biggs, concert master, Dr. Alfred J. Smith, Barbara Davis, Harriett French McNeil, Clifford Straube, Maxine Kouns, and Margie Blankenship.

Oboe: Ann Alpen; flutes: Janice Comstock and Lucy Yates; clarinets: Mario Ganio and Cynthia Miller.

Second violins: Mitchell Hookins, Joan Palmer, Elaine Ranker, Varginia Stewart, Patricia Parre, Florence Parre and Bill Joslin.

Violas: Oscar Busch, Steve Johnson and Sascha Shulgin.

Cellos: Dean Tutt, Winston Petty, Tom Hageman, Barbara Vieland and Tom Moroney.

Bassoons: Anita Mohr and Phyllis Grant; horns: Harold Kouns and Martha Luedemann; trumpet, Dick Lotter.

Trombone: Don Ingram and Rubin Tuttle; pianos: Itala Gambino and Doris Morman; double bass: Jeanne McDonald and Robert Vernon.

**PROJECT GROWS**

Superseding the ensemble of last year which was limited to strings, the new orchestra is indicative of the growth of this school-community project since its inauguration last year as an evening-school activity by General Director Bruce Handley, Acalanes evening school conductor and high-school instructor.

The chorus, last year comprising some 50 voices, is expected to approach double strength this year Moreover, thanks to the added financial backing disclosed recently, it will be possible to provide professional vocal soloists.

The chorus has been in rehearsal for some two monhs.

## Hilltop Bridge Club Meets at Gareviches

The recently organized Hilltop Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. M. J. Garevich on Hawthorne Drive Tuesday evening to spend an enjoyable evening at the bridge table.

Present were Mesdames Jack Bayse, Lloyd Holton, Edward Rice, Phillip Nemir, Rade Sadler, Doff Herman, Paul Heald, and the hostess.

Mrs. H. H. Montgomery was unable to be present as it was her wedding anniversary and she was appropriately celebrating this event with her husband.

## Nursery School Re-opens Lists For Visitors

Names are again being taken for the visiting lists of both groups of the Orinda Nursery School Association.

Children aged two to three and a half years attend on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12. The director of this younger group is Mrs. Robert Anthonisen.

Youngsters from three and a half to kindergarten age go on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays under the direction of Mrs. W. A. Patterson. Classes are conducted at the Orinda Community Church.

All mothers in this vicinity who wish to join this co-operative nonprofit organization and place the name of their youngsters on the visiting list should contact Mrs. Vance Reynolds, Orinda 2094, of the Tuesday-Thursday group or Mrs. Douglas Garneau, Orinda 2870, membership chairman of the Minday — Wednesday — Friday school.

## Red Cross Board To Meet Monday

Reports of committees with emphasis on the Christmas hospital entertainment plans will be features of the regular quarterly buisness meeting of the local Red Cross Chapter Monday, according to Mrs. John Irving chapter head.

This will be the first board meeting held in the new Red Cross quarters at 1607 Locust St. in Walnut Creek. Mrs. John Schroll, chapter secretary, has notified board members to be on hand with reports at 2 p.m.

Among the groups working with the hospital committee is the Junior group under the leadership of Mrs. DeWolfe H. Miller, who announced completion of 400 nut cups for the Christmas dinner trays at the Camp Stoneman station hospital. This was a current major project of the youthful Red Cross workers.

Representing Acalanes High School, Pleasant Hill, Lafayette, and Walnut Creek, 30 members went by chartered bus to participate in the recent Junior Red Cross conference in Oakland High School.

The meaning and accomplishment of the junior part of the American Red Cross was told in the all-day conference to an interested student representation, Mrs. Miller said.

She reported response during the annual school enrollment as not only good but unusually prompt, with special mention going to Pleasant Hill, Orinda and Walnut Creek.

# Loudest Shirts to be Worn at Dance

Polilsh up your boots and saddlle, Pardner, wear your no-belt Levis and your loludest shirt for the Barn Dance, where the prettiest gals you've ever seen will be all dressed up in cottons with buttons and bows, too, for the second Acallanes Assembly Dance of the season, which will be held at Lafayette Grammar School Saturday evening, December 4, 1948, at 8:30.

Carola Courtright and Tony Biggs, chairmen of the Sophomore Students attending the Acallanes Assembliles and their hard-working committee, announce that the dance will be run off in the style to which the Sophs are accustomed, and that according to the chairmen, is plenty good for anyone.

Mrs. Melvin Jacobus and Mrs. Lonnie Bee are advisory members of the student committee.

Mrs. Dwight Baldwin, general chairman of Acalanes Assemblies, announces the following sponsors for the evening: Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lassagne and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Woolsey.

Dances are usually held at Legion Hall, however this dance will be held at the Lafayette Grammar School.

## Local Irish Setters Come Home with Awards

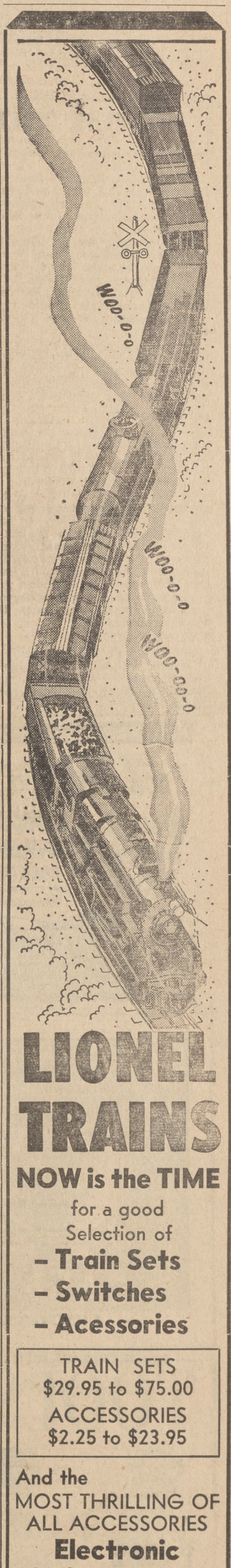
Brown Sugar Rafferty Richit owned by Mrs. Victor Richit of Orinda and "Duffy" Kilroy's Red Head owned by Edward Broome of Lafayette, came home from Salinas Valley Kennel Club first All-Breed Sanction Match, Sunday, October 31st — with practicallly alll the awards, given to the Irish Setter Class. "Sugar" best of opposite sex and "Duffy" best of Breed.

Phone or write us your news: Orinda 2118 or P. O. Box 147; or Lafayette 4452 or P. O. Box 806.

## Emergency Cases Taken at Herrick

Fifty emergency cases from Orinda, Lafayette and Walnut Creek were treated at Herrick Memorial Hospital, Berkeley, over the past year. The hospital handled a total of 8226 emergencies during that period, 6045 of which were from Berkeley; 1130 from Oakland; 400, Albany; 190, Richmond; 160, El Cerrito; 14, Emeryville.

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# Acalanes to Meet Piedmont Tuesday

Tuesday night Acalanes varsity and B team meet Piedmont in a non-league cage tilt. Thursday night's (Dec. 2) league opener against Antioch was in play when the SUN went to press.

Antioch Panthers boasts a full team returning from last year, while the Dons have only one returning first stringer. But the Don-Panther meet will be a good crystal ball for indicating who will be the league leaders this year.

The Don varsity to date has won two out of three games, losing only to El Cerrito in the first game of the year. The varsity collected wins from Richmond and last week from Alameda, last year's A.C.A.L. crown holders, who lost to the Dons by a score of 37 to 29.

The Don "B" team hasn't been so fortunate so far. Although they have lost all three of their games, the last two games slipped away by only two points and one point, respectively.

The Acalanes lineups are as follows: A's: Marshall Freeman and Lynn Amason, forwards; Harry Nielsen, center; Bob Ferro and Roy Van den Heuvel, guards. B's include Bob Champion and Bob Fox, forwards; Dick Spight, center; Ken Jones and John Bowron, guards.

## FROM THE SIDELINES

By Coach Erwin Mattson

High school league basketball is under way Thursday night when the Dons travel to Antioch while Alhambra entertains John Swett of Crockett.

**Both games were originally scheduled for Friday but moved up in order to make way for dances. Pittsburg and Diablo play Friday so that by this time next week the dopesters should have a better picture of the County League.**

Competition appears to be the keenest in years and it could well be a nip and tuck affair with the champion in balance until the final week's play late in January.

**HOME COURT**

An important factor in league play is the home court. Experts tell us that it's worth six to eight points to be on familiar grounds along with a friendly crowd.

**In football all fields are the standard 100 yards between goal lines and a 160 feet wide. In basketball no two courts in the county are exactly the same dimensions. Even the type of backboard varies and they in turn all have their differences in resiliency. Not long ago all backboard were wood, then came metal ones with the corners rounded off.**

**THE NEW LOOK**

The latest creation is made of glass and will undoubtedly make their appearance when Diablo and Alhambra High construct their new gyms.

**Diablo is scheduled to start building this spring and Alhambra should get under way this summer.**

**Another factor is the type of floor construction and the make of ball used.**

The good team and the one to win the championship will be the one that forgets or plays all the harder to overcome the so called advantage of the home club when they are traveling.

**MENTAL SET**

A good deal of any game is mental set and determination to win. Basketball often finds a team winning one night and losing the next and often by almost identical scores.

**In football, teams as a rule meet but once and it's all over. In basketball each team meets every other team twice and it makes for a much better settlement of who is the real champ.**

One fact that many people don't know is that the Contra Costa League does not officially recognize a champion. Everyone else does though on the basis of wins and losses.

**WERNER GUESTS**

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Peterson of Glendale, daughter and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Werner of Dewing Avenue, were guests at the home of the Werner's for Thanksgiving dinner.

**HEADING EAST**

Josephine E. Young, who is associated with El Nido Rancho, has gone East until January 1. Cities on her itinerary include New York, Toledo, and Boston, as well as a visit to the State of Maine.

**HOME WITH FAMILY**

Barbara Goeppert, daughter of the Karl P. Goepperts of Happy Valley, came home to spend Thanksgiving with her family. She is a student at Santa Barbara State College.

**PETERSONS IN CHOWCHILLA**

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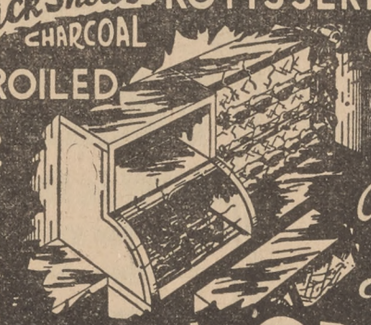
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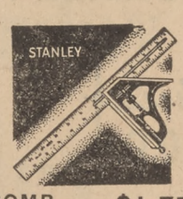
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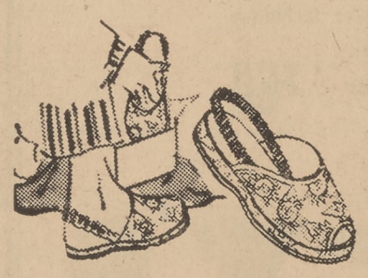



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# Lesson in Logic; re Christmas Trees

Before you can hang up that fragrant green wreath with its gay red bow, or decorate ye Yuletide tree, said wreath and tree must be acquired. Right? Right.

To save everyone a long trek to the woods, Diablo Area Girl Scouts are making a wide assortment of such materials available here in town. Naturally, there's a small fee involved but all proceeds go toward Scouting activities in the Diablo Valley Area, and a person would be hard put to find a better investment.

**WHERE TO GET THEM**

The Christmas tree lot is located next to the Curve Restaurant on Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. It opens Sunday and there'll be trees, wreaths, holly and cones in abundance to fill the fanciest holiday decoration plans. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. till December 25.

As an added treat, troops of Intermediate Scouts will gather around a campfire each night to sing Christmas Carols. The sales area itself will be festive and pungent, highlighted by decorated trees of different types.

**STAMP OF APPROVAL**

All trees and greenery were selected especially for this area. Bill Gordon gave his time to journey into the high Sierras to obtain all materials, Naturally he chose the cream of the crop. Like Gordon, all adults involved in setting up the stands, stringing lights, etc. have donated their efforts and materials without charge so that the girls will reap the larges possible financial benefit from their annual venture.

Mrs. Robert Galbraith of Orinda is in charge of sales. She reports that proceeds will be apportioned between purchase of the summer campsite and general Girl Scout activities in the Diablo Area Council — Alamo, Danville, Lafayette, Orinda, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and Ygnacio Valley.

Need we say more?



A LOAD OF GIRL SCOUT CHRISTMAS TREES is seen coming from the High Sierras to the lot in Lafayette next to The Curve. Christmas Tree Sales, which start Sunday, will continue until the 24th.

Proceeds will go to the development of the new Camp Site of the Diablo Valley Girl Scouts at Packer Creek in the Tahoe National Forest.

# Forum to Offer Bridge Lessons

Do you play bridge? Would you like to learn how to improve your present game?

The Card Section of the Lafayette Forum is sponsoring a series of bridge lessons to be given under the direction of George Gooden of Carmel, a certified Culbertson bridge teacher and winner of the World Olympic champion bridge match.

Lessons will start early in January with the exact time and place to be announced later, according to Mrs Charles Court, chairman.

It is not necessary to be a member of the Forum to attend, the lessons are open to the public and will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. in the evening so that men as well as women will be able to take advantage of them.

These lessons are also valuable to intermediate or advanced players, as well as beginners, as new contract bidding will be taught. Mixed groups are desired, but anyone is welcome, Mrs. Court said.

Residents of Orinda and Walnut Creek are particularly urged to participate. The price is 75c a lesson or the series of 10 lessons for $5. For further information call Mrs Charles Court, Lafayette 2258.

# Cubs to Adopt Families for Christmas

Each of the eight dens in Orinda Cub Pack 32 are making plans to adopt a Contra Costa County family during this Christmas season. The boys will prepare toys, clothes and a holiday feast for each group and deliver them personally before December 25.

Mrs. N. S. Dodge and Mrs. Kenwood Hauter are in charge of planning this traditional activity. The boys will collect and repair all toys themselves. They will dip into each den's fund to buy all the trimmings for a real Christmas dinner.

# Letters to the Editor

DEAR EDITOR:

Attention:
Supervisor Cummings and
Charles Hill Residents

The people of Las Vegas Road area helped put Supervisor Cummings back into office with the hope that if anyone could get them the very much needed short-cut to Lafayette and Walnut Creek it was he. Were they wrong?

Why should a very few residents of Charles Hill Road object to something that would mean so much to a large community and then win out? Do you suppose they would object to sending in their names to the Orinda and Lafayette Suns so their Las Vegas neighbors would find out who they are?

There are Cub Scout Dens being conducted in the Charles Hill area and faithful Den Mothers from Las Vegas area go over to help out every week, but they still have to go by way of the cross-roads. Do you suppose they carry out these important duties for sons of objectors?

ORINDA READER

# Girl Scouts Get Camp Site at Tahoe

Girl Scouts in the Diablo Valley Area Council are rejoicing today over the announcement of the acquisition of a camp site of their own, according to a statement made by Mrs. James E. Gray, Coordinating Camp Committee chairman. The site has been approved by Eleanor Moninger, National Girl Scout Staff Member.

The site, situated in the beautiful Tahoe National Forest, is but a few miles from historic Sierra City at Packer Creek in the Lake Recreation Area, Mrs. Gray announced.

Selection of a committee in charge of the development of the site will be under the supervision of Commander J. C. Bronson. The Camp Site Development Committee and the members of the Established Camp Committee under the chairmanship of Ernest J. Schneider, have been working on plans to develop the site so that some camping can be held at Packer Creek in 1949.

Mrs. Gray said that the acquisition of a site of their own for Girl Scouts of the Area has been the result of endeavors of the Camp Committee for the past four years. The first Council Camp for the girls was an overnight held in Martinez Park in 1945, when 123 girls attended. In 1946, 63 girls camped at Faraway Mine at Alta for 2 weeks. In 1947, 144 girls camped at Big Sur for one month and this year 163 girls camped at Big Sur for a month.

Within a few years, as the site is developed, Mrs. Gray estimated it will be possible to have 6 to 8 weeks of established camping, with 80 girls attending each 2 week session. In addition, the committees are planning to construct a lodge so that troops may participate in winter activities on the Packer Creek site also.

## Junior Prom Theme To Be "Kiss and Tell"

"Kiss and Tell", Acalanes High School Junior Prom will be held Friday night, December 3, at the High School.

**LEAVES FOR EAST**

Walter S. Nicklas has gone east on his annual business trip. He will visit New York and Chicago before returning here in the middle of December.

## Mrs. Fitzpatrick Organizes Den

Cub Den 8 has been organized with Mrs. Burch Fitzpatrick as den mother. Cubs will meet at her home at 39 Ardilla.

The new cubs are Butch Fitzpatrick, Chuck Coburn, Roger Peterson, Billy Holmes, Donny March, Bill Ready and Harry Moller. The boys meet on Thursday and are working now on their first project, Christmas presents.

Den 9 will be organized after the first of the year by Mrs. O. N. Giem at her home on Crestview.

## Students Move Into New Rooms

Students at Acalanes High began last week to reap the rewards of the school's expanding construction program when over 125 of them moved into part of the new classroom units.

Only the center section was ready for occupancy, said Neil Parsons, school superintendent. The remainder will be finished after Thanksgiving vacation. He added that heating equipment has not yet arrived for these new quarters, so each classroom is heated with its own temporary stove.

When construction now planned is completed, the size of Acalanes will be increased by 12 classroom units and a large building housing shop facilities. A bond issue voted last October is making this program possible.

# Book Sale Nets $130 for Mothers

A book sale sponsored by the Mothers' Club last week at Orinda Grammar School netted a profit of $130, all of which will be used to purchase new volumes for the school library, say club officials.

Mrs. Kenneth St. Clair handled this sale. Books were supplied by the Wold Book Shop, Oakland, which also gave two books to the school — one on butterflies and the other on sea life

## Fellowship Group Sees China Film

Twenty-seven boys and girls of the Orinda Pilgrim Fellowship of the Orinda Community Church were guests to the Pi Chi Pilgrim Fellowship of the Piedmont Community Church recently.

They were highly impressed with the showing of a missionary film titled "My Name Is Han" which was taken in China of last year. Next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock the Orinda Pilgrim Fellowship will resume its usual meeting with an evening of Worship and song.

Plans will also be discussed on the preparation of a specitl Pilgrim Fellowship Christmas vesper service to be held in December.

## Bridge Club Meets Friday

The afternoon session of the Orinda Mothers Club bridge club met November 19 at Jean Wilkin's home.

Those playing were Mesdames A. Catheroll, E. W. Druhe, Henry Donovan, Keene Pettingill, Roger Dexter, Owen Jones, Fred von Guenthner, Tylie, Muriel Hansen, William Courtright, Wayne Littlejohn, Goerl, and Lance Barden and her three guests.

The next afternoon bridge session is today at the home of Mrs. John Parker.

## Xmas at Santa Maria Church

This year, Christmas will be celebrated with a midnight Solemn High Mass at Santa Maria Church.

Mrs. James is organizing a choir which is rehearsing two nights a week at Mrs. Don White's home.

Those participating are Mrs. Don White, organist, Captain and Mrs. James Jordon, Mrs. Rosita Boyen, Mrs. Marie Philips, Mr. and Mrs. Al Scollard, Mrs. F. J. Conrad, Richard Green and Barbara Smith.

## Signs May Be Eliminated

A proposal to eliminate posting of "For Sale" signs by brokers in this area is now under consideration by the Contra Costa Real Estate Board, according to Lawrence Wallace, president.

The organization has appointed a committee to gather information on results obtained in other districts where such a policy is enforced. Findings of the six-man panel will be presented to members soon.

## Kit Von Guenthner 5 Years Old Saturday

Kit von Guenthner was five years old last Saturday. She invited a few of her friends over and they attend the morning show at the Orinda Grammar School, where all the children sang Happy Birthday to Kit.

Her guests were Bobby Summers, Warner North and Heidi Brown. Mark Littlejohn was unable to attend because of the mumps.

Kit is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. von Guenthner of Via Floreado.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY ON EXECUTION**
**NO. 36106**

H. DE NORMANDIE, Plaintiff,
vs
A. C. YOUNG, aka A. CHET YOUNG, DORIS A. YOUNG, his wife, et al, Defendants.

By virtue of a Writ of Execution issued out of the Justice's Court of the City of Berkeley, County of Alameda, State of California, wherein H. DE NORMANDIE is Plaintiff and A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, is Defendant upon a judgment rendered by the said Court on the 21st day of September, 1948, for the sum of $898.00 in lawful money of the United States besides costs, I have heretofore levied upon all the right, title, claim and interest of A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, the above named judgment debtor, of, in and for the following described real property, to-wit:

Lot No. 371 and Lot No. 372, Unit No. 3, Hacienda del Orinda, County of Contra Costa, State of California.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I will on TUESDAY, the seventh (7th) day of DECEMBER, 1948, at ELEVEN o'clock A.M. of said day, in front of the main entrance of the Court House of the County of Contra Costa, located in the City of Martinez, County of Contra Costa, State of California, sell at PUBLIC AUCTION, for lawful money of the United States, all the right, title, claim and interest of said defendant and judgment debtor, A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, of, in and to the above described real property to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment, with costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder.

Dated: Martinez, California
November 12, 1948
JAMES N. LONG, Sheriff
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By ALBERT ALJETS
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# Acalanes Plans Drive for Needy -- Canned Goods, Clothing and Cash

To demonstrate that they have the Christmas spirt of giving no less than the rest of their community, Acalanes union high school's Dons and Donnas this week were readying a school Yule package for the needy.

A school-wide drive now under way for the "Three C's" — canned goods, clothing and cash — will be climaxed Tuesday when students will deposit their contributions in some thirty-odd competitive class-group "packages".

**EXTRA TRANSPORTATION**

To enable all students to bring all they can on the appointed day of giving, extra busses will be run if necessary, Superintendent Neil M. Parsons announced.

Bill Morrish, student body president, asked parents and others in the community to help students in their search for useful goods to contribute.

Morrish defined the type of canned goods desired as any non-perishable well-packaged food and clothing as articles in good condition suitable for wear.

**THROUGH RED CROSS**

Student officials announced that the local chapter of the American Red Cross had agreed to make available its facilities to insure proper distribution of the students' gift.

Giving his praise and offering full administrative co-operation to the student body's "Christmas sprit of giving", the superintendent expressed the hope that the student body would make the Christmas-giving day an annual project.

## Articles Stolen From Winfreys

None of the articles stolen from the Orinda home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Winfrey have been returned, Mrs. Winfrey reports, however, the Contra Costa County Sheriff's office is still working on the case.

The house was burglarized a day after the owners left to spend Thanksgiving at Lake Tahoe.

Among the items reported missing are two sets of sterling silverware, a man's watch, woman's watch, various articles of clothing, a suitcase and the entire contents of a linen closet. A partially packed suitcase and three of Mr. Winfrey's guns were left behind when the thief apparently was frightened away. A neighbor discovered the burglary when she saw the kitchen door open.

**PARENTS HERE**

Mr. and Mrs. Channing Jones Jr. are entertaining Mr. Jones' parents, who have come out from Ohio for a visit. They will be here through the holidays.

**DANCING PARTY**

Mr. and Mrs. L. Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Cotteral, and Mr. and Mrs. Robertson gathered at the Westfall home Friday evening for an impromptu dancing party.


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# Clothing Collected By Girl Scouts

Four Lafayette stores are now serving as collection centers for clothing, toys and cash donations in the Girl Scouts' Friendship Kit drive to aid destitute European children.

These stores are: Lafayette Dime and Dollar Store, the Food Center, Ben Franklin store and Super Saver Market.

Diapers, mittens, socks, coats, caps, pajamas and scarves are among the most badly needed articles. All donations should be clean and usable, says Mrs. Albert Maas, Juliette Low chairman of the campaign; funds obtained will be used to purchase miscellaneous items for filling out remaining kits and to defray a 50 cent shipping charge on each bundle.

Local Girl Scouts are to pick up the toys, clothes and cash deposited in these barrels; they will then sort and mend the garments and prepare as many kits as possible, including a special toy or perhaps a length of material in each one to add a bit of fun to the utilitarian parcels.

With Europe's children in such desperate need, the Lafayette girls have joined sister Scouts throughout this country in working toward a goal of 100,000 completed kits. Anyone who has something to contribute but cannot reach a collection station should contact Mrs. Maas, Lafayette 4503.


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## Camera Club Talks Printing

The Contra Costa Camera Club held a round table discussion recently led by Frank Boone on "How to Achieve Quality in Photographic Prints".

This thriving group, founded in September under the leadership of J. Wesley Rhoades, has over 25 members and several additional ones are seeking admission at each meeting. Members are residents of the Orinda- Lafayette-Walnut Creek area.

Monthly field trips are part of the schedule of the club's activities. In November the field trip consisted of a Photographic expedition to San Francisco under the direction of Challis Gore in which the members handled the triple assignment of photographing picturesque Gay Nineties architecture along Scott Street; shooting scenic vistas where the Golden Gate meets Lincoln Park; and attending the Max Yavno exhibition of San Francisco Photos at the Palace of the Legion of Honor.

Meeting night for the Camera Club is the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Room 510 Acalanes High School, 8 p.m.

Participants in this camera enterprise were: J. Wesley Rhoades of Lafayette; Fred Confer and Peter Confer of Martinez; Challiss Gore, Claude Jackson, C. P. McVicker and Frank Roberts of Orinda; Mr. and Mrs. John Amman, Jackson Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Dippo and Claude Lilligard of Walnut Creek.

### FATHERS' NIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Conklin had as guests at their home last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mauchlin and both their fathers, all of Bellingham.

## Gift Jacket Available For Bonds




**Cover of Christmas Gift folder for United States Savings Bonds features reproduction of painting, "Pleasant Valley," by Carl Lawless.**

**WASHINGTON, D. C.—For the first time since the end of the war, the United States Savings Bonds Division is making available, free of charge, a four-color Christmas gift jacket for savings bonds. The cover features the reproduction of Carl Lawless' painting, "Pleasant Valley." Permission for use of the painting was granted the Treasury Department by Dr. H. G. Schuster, Mystic, Conn., the owner.**

**Vernon L. Clark, national director of the savings bonds division, has arranged for distribution of the gift jacket through state offices of the division, businesses and industries planning Yuletide and year-end bonuses, banks and postoffices.**

## Benefit Xmas Show Planned

A gala Christmas Benefit Show will be held at the Acalanes High School auditorium at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22.

Proceeds from the presentation will go to the Walnut Creek Area Municipal Band Fund. This fund has been established to purchase needed instruments and uniforms for the newly organized Municipal Band.

The Band will be under the direction of Hal Foshaug, a new resident of the area, whose experience and talent for community and organizational bands is well known throughout the state. There will be a total of thirty five members, mostly local business men, and the band plans to attend the many California celebrations throughout the state during the Golden Jubilee Celebration of 1949.

The production is being staged by the Boswell Studios of Music and Arts and presents a cast of over 100 performers, including a host of professional entertainers as well as talented members of the community. Tickets may be obtained at various local establishments and the donation will be 75c per person.

### OLD TIME FETE

An old fashioned Thanksgiving family reunion with feasting, games and folk dancing was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jennings on Brown Ave., last Thursday. Members of the family present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. David Jennings, Claudia and Claris Jennings and Mrs. C. F. Berger all of Mt. View, Santa Clara County, Mrs. Robert Dathan and Mrs. N. W. Gallaghan of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jennings and Milton.

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## Applications to Increase Bus Fare Will Not Affect Local Commuters

Fare increase applications filed with the State Public Utilities Commission by six California bus lines are concerned primarily with raising one way and round trip rates. This observation by the Board's rate engineers indicates monthly commuters from the Orinda-Lafayette area will continue at virtually unchanged prices.

Applications filed by six California bus lines requesting fare increases indicate that Orinda-Lafayette commuters will continue traveling at their present monthly rates. One way and round trip tickets, however, will bear the brunt of the suggested raise, according to State Public Utilities Commission rate engineers.

The petitioning firms are Pacific Greyhound, Santa Fe Transportation, Peerless Stages, Gibson Lines, West Coast Bus Lines and Interstate Transit lines, A public hearing has been set for December 6 by the Commission.

Increased operating costs were given as reasons for the requested raise by each applicant. The companies maintain that they cannot keep up adequate and dependable service on present revenues.

While all the petitioners requested higher one way and round trip fares, only two wanted commutation increases too.

Peerless Stages desires to increase the 30 day month commute fare to 1 cent per mile, minimum fare 4.50 and would cancel family books. Gibson Lines would cancel its 62 ride monthly commutation fare and increase the 30 ride family commute to a 1¼ cents per mile basis.

### HOME FOR HOLIDAY

Joanne Thompson and friend Leigh Gallman who live in Guerneville and attend the Santa Rosa Junior College were visiting over the Thanksgiving holidays at the home of Joanne's mother, Mrs. Marguerite Thompson of Hough Avenue.


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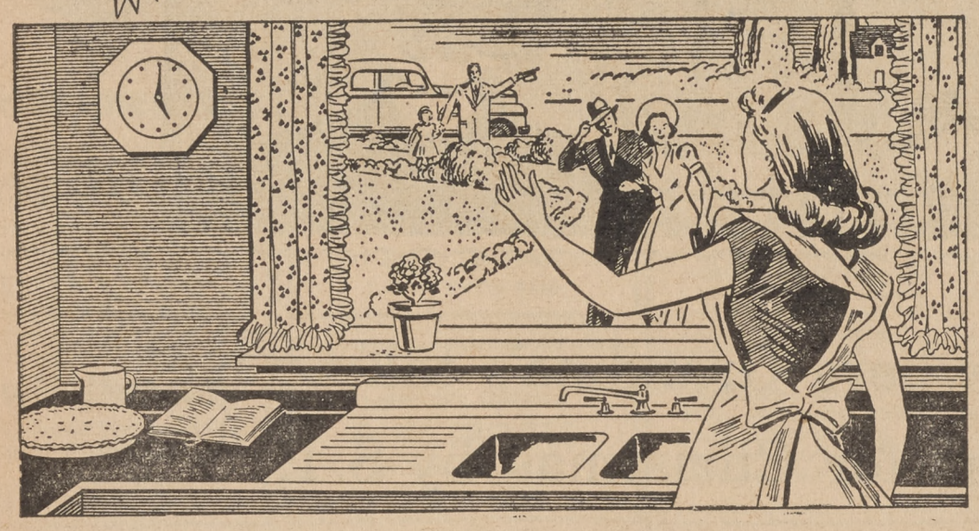
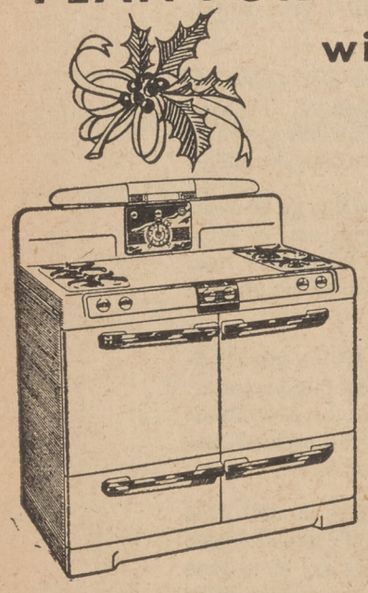
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# What's Cooking for Dons & Donnas

Acalanes High has slated a school-wide Christmas drive December 7 to aid needy Contra Costa families.

Students will donate canned foods, various types of warm clothing and cash — all of which will be sent through the County Social Service Committee to people in this area who otherwise would not find much joy in the holiday season. The advisory group making the bet contribution will be rewarded with a special Christmas party given by the student body.

**X-RAYS GIVEN**

December 1 and 2 were set aside for floroscopic examinations. Students availed themselves of this free medical service, which is carried on to locate any cases of tuberculosis among the youngsters.

**RED CROSS FUND**

The Junior Red Cross Council reported a net of $115 collected in its drive a few weeks ago. Members of the Council are now considering a new project but no decision has been reached as to whether it will be a local program or some form of European aid.

**IOWA TESTS**

Neil Parsons, Acalanes superintendent, says that students and parents can now view results of the Iowa Test of Educational Development taken by the student body in September. The school showed up very well in these exams, particularly in vocabulary, he added.

**TOP HONORS**

Jim French and Barbara McViker took top citizenship points for the first quarter, according to Leland Russell, faculty chairman.

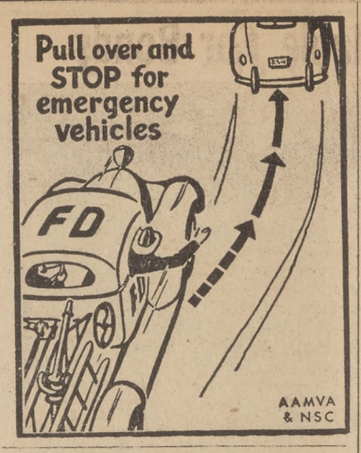
## Area Sends J. C. Students Away

The Lafayette area contributed 19 and the Orinda area 13 of the 705 Contra Costans who attended Junior College outside the county last year and for whom Contra Costa is paying approximately $100,000 annually.

These figures were announced today by Charles F. Hutchins, Jr., of Pleasant Hill, attorney chairman of the Contra Costa Junior College Citizens' Committee, which is urging approval by ballot of formation of a college district, Tuesday, December 14.

"The $100,000 is the present over-all cost to the county annually," Hutchins said. "Of this amount, $46,000 is for 'rent' of quarters of students — $65 for each one. This sum is building three classrooms annually in other counties."

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## Glen Taylor Children Planning Open House

Boys and girls of Glen Taylor School, Walnut Creek, are excited and happy these days making plans to entertain their friends at open house Sunday afternoon, December 5, at 2:30.

Assisting the students with the arrangements for the party, which is to be held at the school, are members of the Mothers Advisory Committee, Mrs. Lawrence Wallace and Mrs. Frank Fee, Lafayette; Mrs. Lee McCoy, Pittsburg; Mrs. Martin Murphy, Walnut Creek.

At a spirited student body election held at Glen Taylor School the following officers were elected: president, Bill Anglin, San Francisco; vice president, Martin Murphy, Walnut Creek; and secretary-treasurer, Peter Iverson, Lafayette.

**DINNER AT CAINS**

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cain were Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Lewis, Mrs. Grace Dalton and Don Haven of San Francisco.

## Who is Building Homes Where . . .

Lafayette leads the pack in number of building permits issued between November 15 and 19 but the Orinda-Moraga area is making it a close race. The former received 9 permits with the latter taking 4.

Lafayette applicants are: F. C. Younghans, Sun Valley Estates; J. Wayland Barnette, Happy Valley Terrace; E. M. Netherby, El Nido Rancho, Sunnybrook Drive; Miss M. Venable, Mt. View Drive and West Road; Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Carol Lane and Louis Court; P. D. Bowley, North Peardale.

D. L. Rheem is building in Rheem Highlands, Orinda. In Moraga, the following trio have construction permits: Richard Hersey, La Sombra Court; Owen F. Eide, Moraga Highway, R. J. Bettencourt, Overhill Road.

**FAMILY GATHERING**

Mr. and Mrs. Judson Van Meter of Reliez Valley Road, accompanied by Mrs. Van Meter's mother, motored to Dinuba last Wednesday to spend the Thanksgiving holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sereno, grandparents of Mrs. Van Meter. It was also the fifty-eighth wedding anniversary of the Serenos. This was a very happy occasion as it was the first time, since the war years, that the entire family has been able to get together.

**THANKSGIVING AT HALLS**

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hall of Moraga Road entertained at Thanksgiving dinner. The following relatives were present: Mrs. Minetta Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dawson and daughter Bernice, all of San Jose. This being the birthday of Ted Hall Jr., he also shared in the honors of the day.

## Here and There in Lafayette.

**MORE HOLIDAY DINNERS**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burress of Moraga Blvd. had Mr. and Mrs Hendricks from Sacramento, Mrs. Burress' parents, as their guests for the holiday and for the weekend.

**S. F. EXPEDITION**

Mrs. G. W. Myers escorted her three daughters, Patty, Prissy, and Prudy, and their friend, Jean Cavallera, to San Francisco Saturday to see the Carnival on the top floor of the Emporium and they all had a wonderful time. The girls and maybe even Mrs. Myers tried all the booths and games and then all went out for lunch.

**DAUGHTERS AND GRAND DAUGHTERS**

Thanksgiving dinner guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Newall Wilson on Brook Street were their daughter, Mrs. Marcees Bissen, and her daughter Mary, and their other granddaughter and husband, Mr and Mrs. Robert Baldridge and little Barbara Baldridge the Wilson's great granddaughter.

**BACK TO SCHOOL**

Vina Murillo returned to Sebastapol, where she is attending High School, after visiting with her parents on Brown Ave.

**S. F. TOUR**

Robert Barden and his brother Bruce, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barden, made a trip to San Francisco to the zoo and museum Saturday. They and their parents then had dinner at Fisherman's Wharf before returning home.

**TRAVELING AGAIN!**

Mrs. Marie Bennett of Moraga Road spent Thanksgiving Day at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bennett and little son, in Hayward.

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# Club Landscapes Front of School

Conversion of the weed prolific planting area adjacent to San Pablo Dam Highway and fronting upon the grounds and playgrounds of the Orinda Union Grammar School, has just been accomplished by the Orinda Garden Club, as its most recent project, according to a progress report just issued by Mrs. Dorothy Lamb, committee chairman.

The right of way strip, she states, has been cleared, plowed and graded and planted to ornamental shrubs, the selection of which was agreed upon between the Garden Club and the School Board of Trustees and includes fifty Catalina Cherry and thirty California Red Bud trees.

**UNPLANTED AREA**

"That unplanted and uncared for area in front of the school's artistic retaining walls long has been a source of concern to the community," Mrs. Lamb explained. "Under a federal appropriation the black and red natural stone walls represent, I believe, an expenditure of about $20,000 under the original appropriation of Federal funds. The rapid growth of the community has made it inadvisable to divert any school income out of Orinda's educational needs into a program of landscape improvement, so Orinda's Garden Club members recently voted to assist its school in the beautification of this strip".

Assisting Mrs. Lamb on the project were Mrs. Eugene Shurtleff, Mrs. Edwin Solinsky, Mrs. William Fleager and Mrs. Robert Welch. The only male participant one observer reports, was George Brockhurst, one of Orinda's first settlers and a former member of the school board.

**TRAFFIC TRIANGLE**

Another uncared for area in Orinda, the traffic island triangle at the junction of El Toyonal Road and San Pablo Dam Highway also has been given a permanent planting program, according to Mrs. James Anderson. There the club members have planted one hundred shrubs native to California's foothills with a prize specimen, a Nordsman Fir, which is destined to become Orinda's out door Christmas tree, the annual decoration and lighting for which the Garden Club will sponsor.

Credit for the acquisition of the unusual specimen of the Christmas tree is given to Frank Olsen, local merchant who was assisted by Dod Bridwell, Warren Harrold, Leon Woolsey, E J. Phair and Al Eberlin.

**PLAN TO ENTER SHOW**

Having accomplished three successful exhibits at the California Spring Garden Show, members of the club elected to enter the 1949 show and delegated Mrs. William Fleager as chairman to be assisted by Mrs. George Russell, Mrs. Alden Macomber, Mrs. H. S. Gentry, Mrs. William Kilgo and Mrs. E. F. Hockenbeamer.

In keeping with holiday festivities, the monthly meeting for December, held Thursday, December 2, at the Orinda Country Club was designated as guest day and was addressed by Mrs. Fredrick Dall, who talked on table decorations with especial emphasis on the holiday motif.

**LUNCHEON-BRIDGE**

Mrs. Ben Randall entertained some friends on Wednesday afternoon, December 1, with a luncheon and bridge. Guests were Mesdames John Leigh, William Ellermeyer, Kenneth McIntire, Nathan Gray, Fred Borden, Frank Russell, John Dorr, Paul Kalf and Robert Clough.


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# Curtain Calls: Saturday Movie

Cheers really rang thru the Orinda Grammar School last Saturday afternoon where a surprise showing of a Tarzan picture made a tremendous hit with the kids.

There were three birthdays this week so of course an extra cartoon in their honor. Pat Bacon who was celebrating her 10th was one of the ones to go on the stage and be sung to.

This Saturday's show is an adventure story of animal life — "Call of the Wilderness" with a short "School Days" and the "Trail of the Royal Mounted" chapter 8.

Also Rob Anthonisen who was seven, was there with his guests Richard Polese, Richard Hanlin, Floyd Blaney, and Chet Butler.

Kit Von Guenthner who has just turned five was there with some guests including his sister, Heidi, David and Patty Ann Brown, Bob Sommers and Warner North.

**Special thanks are in order for the help Mr. John Stoffel from the School Board has given and also Mr. Sheaff for his encouragement.**

Visitors to the show are surprised to see how quiet and mannerly the children really are. It is a real treat to see the professional way they salute the flag and sing "My Country 'tis of Thee".

**Plans are rapidly developing for a special Christmas show — and don't forget it will be during Christmas week and not on Saturday.**

**A special "orchid" should go to several men who have helped so much. One to Tommy Bacon who, even tho' he seriously wrenched his back, was at his usual spot by the projector.**

Also to Jim Brown who takes the film to San Francisco every Monday morning. And to Mr. Sheaff who gave us the "green light" when things looked pretty black. And another orchid to Mr. Allara who every Saturday brings the entire neighborhood and is right there on time to pick them up.

**(Editors Note: Mrs. Jim Brown deserves credit, too, for writing this fine column.)**

No wonder Mrs. Kirk Miles was asked to help "pick the pics" when she can so capably plan large parties. Also Doris Clifford, another committee member, really showed her ability with the Cal rally Sunday at Acalanes.

Joan Prifold was certainly a help as an usherette and anyone who wants to help is sure welcome. We would like a little help from a father who is handy with a hammer to build a sign for the fence at school. If you have a handy man around your house just phone Helene Klement, Orinda 2815.

# Hetty Dutra Has Gay Party

A merry-go-round and little storybook dolls decorated the table at Hetty Lou Dutra's house last Monday, when she celebrated her sixth birthday.

All of her classmates in the first grade were invited, but, due to mumps some were unable to attend. Present were Kathryn Baker, Carolyn Cullen, Mary Jo Dunn, Virginia Gibbons, Luzanne Lang, Carolyn Schuler, Kathleen Shurtleff, Sally Spott, Janice Twining and Arlene Nickilman.

The school bus arrived at Hetty Lou's house just in time for a delicious chicken lunch, topped off with ice cream, cake and candy.

Hetty Lou is now one of the happiest and proudest little girls on Bear Creek Road, for one of her many presents was a beautiful bicycle. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Dutra.

# Santa to Join Cubs at Party

St. Nick has added another big social engagement to his list of holiday parties This time he is joining Cubs of Orinda Pack 32 to distribute gifts at their special celebration December 18.

All Cubs in the Pack are invited; festivities start at 2 p.m. in the Orinda Grammar School auditorium, and Bob Clough, Cub committeeman, reports that the party will last until 4 p.m.

Santa will distribute gifts to each boy from under a decorated Christmas tree. There'll be refreshments and games, of course. Special highlight of the entertainment is to be an appearance by some prominent local sports figure, whose name will be announced later.

Heywood Gathings, assistant Cubmaster, is chairman of the event. He will be assisted by Paul Holmes, Al Meyer and a group of committeemen.


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# Here and There in Orinda

**ATTENDS MEETING**

Mrs. Mararet Anderson of Orinda attended the Teachers Association for the year 1949, at its quarterly council meeing in the San Francisco Women's City Club Saturday, November 27.

**HOUSEGUEST**

Mr. and Mrs. William Ellermeyer have as their house guest Mr. Ellermeyer's mother, Mrs. Margaret Ellermeyer. Mrs. Ellermeyer is from Pennsylvania and is spending the winter in California.

**HAS MUMPS**

Mark Littlejohn is among those out of school with mumps.

**VISITING HERE**

Mrs. C. L. Ward's mother, Mrs. John Dooley, has been visiting Mrs Ward over the Thanksgiving holiday. Mrs. Dooley's home is in Garberville.

**EXPECTED HOME**

Anne Winters, who is attending Pomona College in Pasadena, spent the Thanksgiving Holiday at Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wilcox's home in Alta Dena. Anne will be home for Christmas.

**IN BED WITH MUMPS**

Anne Louise Ward, an eighth grade student at the Orinda Grammar School, has been in bed the past few days with the mumps.

**HOLIDAY TRIP**

Lois and Jean Galbraith spent Thanksgiving holiday with their grandmother, Dr. Louise Hector, at her cabin Sea Crags up near Point Arena.

**VISITING MATEYS**

Mrs. George Matey's aunt, Mrs. Alice Verkstrom of White Plains, New York, is here visiting the Matey family for a few days.

**MRS. WINTERS HAS MUMPS**

Christine Winters, 13, has been a nurse as well as a cook, since her mother come down with the mumps a week ago. Mrs. Winters is much better now and expects to be teaching again by next week.

**IN LOS ANGELES**

Mr. James R. Williams of Brookwood Road, is in Los Angeles on a business trip.

**IN LOS ANGELES**

The Walt Fribergs enjoyed a ten day holiday in Los Angeles.

**BUFFET SUPPER**

An informal buffet supper was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Meyer of 1 Tamalpais View Road. Guests were Mesdames and Messrs. Harry Dimond, Patrick B. Ivey, James McIntosh of Oakland, Charles Jenner, Richard Claymore of Berkeley, and Ed Niederkorn of Walnut Creek.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER**

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mikesell and daughters Mona and Barbara of 33 Barbara Road hosted a Thanksgiving dinner last Thursday night. Guests were J. R. Coryell of Oakland, Frank Young and son Richard of Berkeley, Miss Susanna Alexeeff of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leschine of Oakland, and Clint Sherwood of Orinda.

**IN NEVADA CITY**

Mrs. Grace Kendall, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dawson, recently spent a weekend in Nevada City with Mrs. Kendall's sister. The weather was ideal — quite cold at night — and the hills and orchards were a blaze of gold and red.

**HOME FROM HOSPITAL**

Rudolph Rasmussen, injured on Halloween, is home from the hospital now and is well on the road to recovery. What did Mr. Rasmussen come home to — a house full of mumps. His two children, Steve and Cindy have been in bed for the past few days, but are coming along fine now.

**ATTEND ALMUNAE DANCE**

The Alpha Phi Alumnae, Berkeley Chapter, gave a benefit dance for "Cardiac relief" at the Diablo Country Club on Saturday night, November 27 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crawshaw attended the dance with two other couples, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Solinsky and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welsh.

**SIXTH BIRTHDAY**

Sue Tharp is having a party on her sixth birthday Saturday at her home on Irvine Drive. Her guests include Dick Allen, Harry Carter, Susan Donovan, David Doxsee, Julie Edelin, Terry Hall, Michele Harrer, Cassandra Horton, Barbara Johns, Jeanie Marler, Claud Monlux, Wendy Nelson, Susan Polese, Valerie Silva, Diane Traverso, Marjie Williams, Gerrie Olsen, Dennis Nelson, Mark Lawrence, Betty Jean Theile, Lynn Ballard and Jessica Burns.

**WELCH BABY**

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin L. Welch of 140 Las Vegas Road are the parents of a new daughter, Patricia Kay, born Friday, November 26. The little lady weighed in at 6 pounds six ounces. She has a sister, Linda and a brother, Douglas, who are waiting to welcome her home from the Peralta Hospital.

# Guilds to Stage Christmas Party

Quail Valley, home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dorr of Orinda will be the setting on the evening of December 7 for the first annual Christmas party staged jointly by the afternoon and evening guilds of the Orinda Community Church.

Election of officers will be the primary matter of business to be conducted by the two groups. For their Christmas musical entertainment, a trio of guild members will sing. Soloes by a flutis and group singing of Christmas carols with Christmas devotions and a Christmas reading will complete the evening's program.

Refreshments will be served to the guild members and their friends by hostesses of both groups. They will be Mesdames A D. Blalock, Brent Inman, Harper E. Wright and John W. Dorr of the afternoon guild and Mesdames Don R. Keene, William H. Thurston, H. R. Seim and Miss Marian Seim.

# Large Group at Church Dinner

Members and friends of Orinda Community Church learned a week ago what the table capacity of their building is . . . . when 135 men, women and children crowded in for "pot luck" at the second church night affair sponsored by the Church Council.

Dinner chairman was John McFarland, and especially honored were members of the new Junior choir and their parents, along with choir mothers Mrs. D. C. Peacock and Mrs. Albert Normand, and Mary Elizabeth Tomme chorister.

The choir sang several sacred numbers, and other songs were sung by girls' quartet and quintet. Movies were shown by Wilbur Twining of the dedication service held in April. A discussion by adults present at the dinner showed general approval of a spring campaign to complete the Sunday School buildings without delay.

During the discussion period children adjourned to the tents for movie entertainment. The evening section of the Women's Guild managed the dinner arrangement, with Mrs. K. S. Hauter and Mrs. J. W. McFarland in charge.

# Pot Luck Supper Planned by Club

The next regular meeting of the Orinda Mothers Club will be an evening meeting Monday, December 13.

The pot luck supper which was postponed in October on account of illness in the school will be held at this time.

Mrs. Richard Dunnigan is in charge of arrangements and her committee will be the various room mothers.

The faculty will be introduced at this meeting and there will be entertainment by the Barbershop Quartet. Make your reservations with your room mother as early as possible.

## Clair Stoffel Invites Friends to Party

There was quite an aray of formals, flowers and tuxes at Claire Stoffel's home last Friday night.

Claire, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stoffel, invited several of her friends over for a party before they attended the first Piedmont Assembly at the Claremont Country Club.

Guests were Joan Woolsey, Nancy Miller, Bobby McVicker, Jean Ranker, Meltge Eggen, Gail Bargones, Janet Davis, Nancy Johnson, Sue Kilgo, Pete Larmer, Don Tiernan, Ted Fry, Wayne La Velle, Bill Morrish, Keith Endersby, Roy Vanden Heuvel, Stan Epstein, Kern Matlock and George Philips.

**BUSINESS TRIP**

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